





## OUR OLD DEFENDERS

## BALTIMORE HEROES OF 1812 TALKING

John C. Morford, 50 years old—George Bass, 92—Samuel Jennings, 80—John Pedder, 90—Nathaniel Watts, 90—The Secret of Longevity Solved.

The Baltimore (Md.) Every Saturday.

No man can tell the rightness or wrongness of temperance in all things. As physical science teaches that there is nothing such as dirt—that which is commonly called such is only matter out of place; so moral science teaches that proper use of anything made for man is never wrong, but that in the abuse of such things lies the sin. In the present day when the advocates of temperance are in the minority, when the advocates of that cause having graduated from a movement which urged merely temperance, become themselves so intemperate in their well-meant fanaticism, as to demand the absolute prohibition of the manufacture and sale of necessary stimulants it may well be questioned whether they have not gone too far. What a misquoted scripture and boldly assert among other awful things, that alcohol however used shortens human life, it would be well to place examples besides assertions.

With a view of getting at solid facts, it was decided that a reporter should be sent to interview a number of old gentlemen in this city; men who were well enough known to the public to be considered reliable. After consulting what might be held concerning their past histories, it was concluded that the remaining members of the Old Defenders' association were about as well known as any persons in this city, he set out upon his mission.

Mr. James C. Morford, of No. 15 Bond street, was first seen. He was particular to impress upon his hearers that he is a genuine temperance man, and has abominated a "Willing Wisp." Tommies, he said, who helped to organize in 1841. He kindly gave a sketch of his life and said that his father kept a public house upon the old York road where good liquors of all kinds were kept. He said that he assisted, when a boy, at the bar occasionally, but seldom touched a drop of liquor. After joining the temperance society he became a total abstainer. In his old age, however, he has found times when a stimulant is a necessity and a little pure liquor a real benefit. "I hardly think that a man of my age is apt to be led astray by it," said he good-humoredly, "but recollect, I am still for temperance."

Mr. Samuel Jennings, 59 years old, was next seen. This handsome and venerable man, with a countenance of silvery hair and beard was found in his room upon a cushioned sofa, which he helped to organize in 1841. He kindly gave a sketch of his life and said that his father kept a public house upon the old York road where good liquors of all kinds were kept. He said that he assisted, when a boy, at the bar occasionally, but seldom touched a drop of liquor. After joining the temperance society he became a total abstainer. In his old age, however, he has found times when a stimulant is a necessity and a little pure liquor a real benefit. "I hardly think that a man of my age is apt to be led astray by it," said he good-humoredly, "but recollect, I am still for temperance."

Mr. Nathaniel Watts was next interviewed. He is nearly 90, and is quite talkative and full of stories, although he has difficulty in getting around.

He said, "I have never been an abstainer. I have always taken a stimulant when and where it was needed. When I was a young man I superintended a farm. In those days we neither reaped with machine reapers nor sowed, but a sickle was used, and after a 'thorough' was cut we used to go back and bind sheaves. We worked hard for three days and, generally, got ahead of the colored hands who worked under me. One day, he said, he got ahead of them, who is clever and good-looking, has been the silent admirer of the daughter of a well-known and wealthy resident of Beach Haven. His ardor was cooled by the fact, however, that the beauty at whose shrine he secretly worshipped, was engaged to wed another fellow. The watch had stopped some time during the day and started again according to its own sweet will, and was an hour or so behind time.

Since then he has married another girl, and is not yet on speaking terms with the one that his watch got him left with. Nearly every time he comes he tells how he missed an appointment or a train or something of the kind the day before. I had frequently told him that the watch was a cheap affair in the first place, and it is not likely that he can afford to buy another to keep time by the best jeweler in the land, but he always says it will have to do a little longer. Just for the curiosity of the thing I looked over my books the last time he was here to see how much he had paid me for putting it in order, and it was just \$32. I sell a very fair watch for \$30 nowadays."

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